

**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION FOR PATENT  
DESIGNATING THE U.S. ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)**Docket Number  
(Optional)  
HRG-PT033 (G 5455pct/us)

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International (PCT) Application No.: PCT/CH2003/000447

U.S. Application No.:  
(if known)

Filed: July 7, 2003

Title: UNDERGROUND PIPE AND METHOD OF SECURING CONDUITS THEREIN

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**APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION**

NOTE: A grantable petition requires the following items:

- (1) Petition fee
- (2) Proper reply
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee which is required for all international applications having an international filing date before June 8, 1995; and
- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

## 1. Petition fee

☒ Small entity - fee \$ 750 (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.

☐ Other than small entity - fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (37 CFR 1.17(m))

## 2. Proper reply

A. The proper reply (the missing 35 U.S.C. 371(c) requirement(s)) in the form of  
371 Transmittal, Declaration, Application, Filing Fee \_\_\_\_\_ (identify type of reply):

- ☐ has been filed previously on \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☒ is enclosed herewith.

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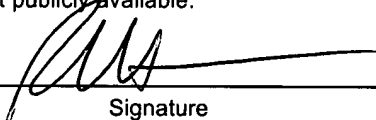
☒ Since this international application has an international filing date on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.

☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for a small entity or \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

4. Statement. The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.

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Enclosures: ☐ Response

☒ Fee Payment

☐ Terminal Disclaimer

☒ Other (please identify):

371 Transmittal, Application,  
Declaration, Filing Fee and  
Statement Re Delay.

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

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**Examiner:** Not Yet Known

**Our File:** HRG-PT033

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**Date:** March 24, 2006

**STATEMENT RE UNINTENTIONAL DELAY IN SUPPORT  
OF PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b)**

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Sir:

Applicant hereby states that the entire delay in entering the National Phase for PCT/CH2003/000447 since the original due date of February 6, 2005 until the filing of a grantable Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) was unintentional. Applicant notes that this application was originally entrusted to patent lawyer, Peter K. Kontler, Reg. No. 20,384, for filing a priority application in the U.S. Through no fault of applicant, this case was filed as a U.S. provisional application no. 60/650,728 on February 7, 2005 (February 6, 2005 being a Sunday) rather than entering the National stage on February 7, 2005, as was originally requested. Although Applicant's prior attorney took steps to attempt to convert the provisional patent application to a regular U.S. application, this would not address the priority claim to the parent PCT application,

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PCT/CH2003/000447, which should have entered the National Phase by February 7, 2005, in order to provide continuity for the priority claim.

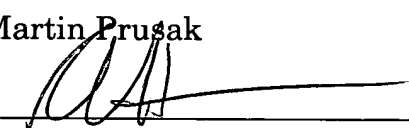
As applicant had intended throughout this entire time frame to have the application proceed as a National Phase application in the U.S. based on the International Application PCT/CH2003/000447, it is clear that applicant had always intended the application to enter the National Phase under 35 U.S.C. §371(c) by the original filing deadline. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the accompanying Petition be granted and the PCT application be revived for purposes of National stage commencement under 35 U.S.C. §371(c).

Applicant notes that the required filing and Petition fees, translation of the international application and the signed inventor Declaration are all enclosed herewith.

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